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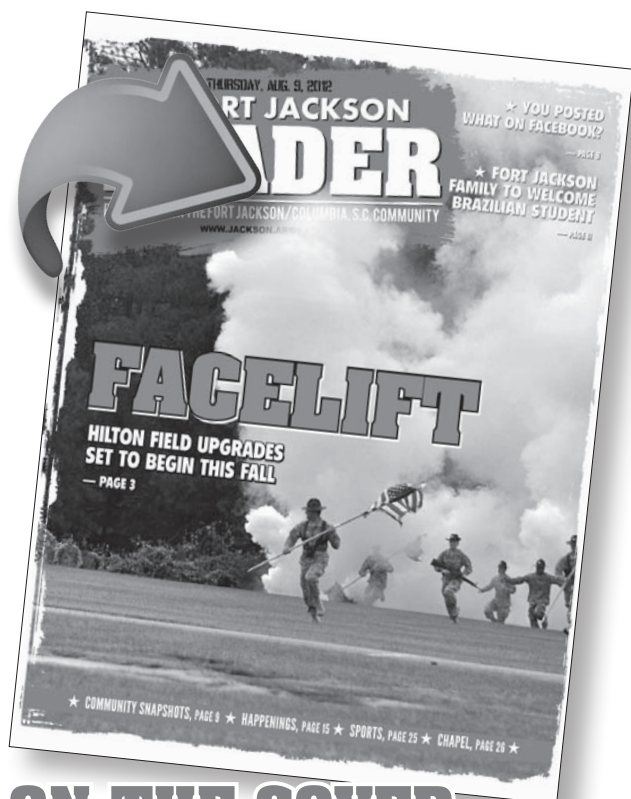
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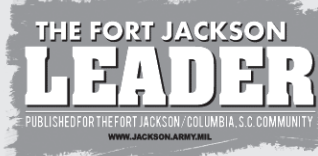
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A drill sergeant with 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment leads his troops onto Hilton Field during Family Day Wednesday. SEE PAGE 3.



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COMMANDER'S CALL

Let the engines roar responsibly, safely

Motorcycle safety not just an annual event, but a year-round commitment to responsibility

I want to take this opportunity to personally thank the more than 70 riders who participated in last week's Victory Thunder motorcycle rally to promote and raise awareness for motorcycle safety.

But I also want to point out that focusing on safe riding needs to be more than an annual event. It needs to be an everyday occurrence. Taking one day off from focusing on safe riding can have disastrous consequences. Last month, two Fort Jackson Soldiers were involved in motorcycle accidents. Luckily they survived, but for the last several years we have seen an increase in the number of Soldiers killed across the Army while riding motorcycles.

In Fiscal Year 2011, 45 Soldiers died while riding motorcycles. That represents a 12 percent increase over the previous year. So far this year, there have been 38 Soldiers across the Army killed in motorcycle accidents.

Most of these accidents are preventable. The top two causes of injuries and fatalities are speeding and a failure to wear the proper protective equipment. We dare not forget that the loss of one Soldier because of a preventable motorcycle accident is one too many.

There are Fort Jackson regulations in place regarding the equipment a rider must wear in order to operate a motorcycle or moped on post. These rules apply to Soldiers and civilians. For Soldiers, they also apply when riding off-post. The appropriate personal protective equipment includes:

- ☐ A properly fastened helmet that meets the Department of Transportation safety standards. Novelty helmets do not meet this requirement.
- ☐ Impact or shatter resistant goggles, wrap-around goggles, or full-face shield (attached to helmet) that meet or exceed ANSI Standard Z 87.1. Windshields or eyeglasses alone are not proper eye protection.
- ☐ Long pants.
- ☐ Long sleeved shirt or

jacket.

☐ Full-fingered gloves.

☐ Leather boots or over the ankle shoes.

☐ A brightly colored reflective safety vest. The vest must be clearly visible and not covered. A jacket that meets the same criteria (brightly colored and reflective) will satisfy this requirement. A reflective sash or belt does not satisfy the requirement as the outer garment, but should be used as an augmentation when a backpack is worn.

**By BRIG. GEN.
BRYAN T. ROBERTS**

**Fort Jackson
Commanding General**

But motorcycle safety is more than just wearing the proper equipment. It includes proper training and mentorship.

The Motorcycle Mentorship Program is a voluntary program where inexperienced and seasoned motorcycle riders are paired together to create a supportive learning environment that promotes safe and responsible riding.

Those of us who don't ride motorcycles must always keep in mind that we share the road with those who do. It's our responsibility to remain alert to all the traffic around us.

For more information about riding motorcycles on post, to include classes and mentorship programs, call the Fort Jackson Safety Center at 751-6004.

Victory starts here! Victory 6!



Photo by ANDREW McINTYRE

During Fort Jackson's Victory Thunder motorcycle rally July 31, riders had the opportunity to have their bikes and equipment inspected.



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Hilton Field upgrades set to begin

By **ANDREW McINTYRE**
Fort Jackson Leader

A hallowed ground that has served as the place where the careers of hundreds of thousands of Soldiers have started is scheduled for an upgrade.

Renovations to Hilton Field, where Basic Combat Training graduations take place, are expected to begin this fall. The upgrades are a combined effort by the Fort Jackson Garrison and TRADOC commands to improve the overall appearance of Hilton Field for Soldiers and families visiting Fort Jackson.

Some of the improvements will include a new pedestrian walkway, resurfacing of access roads and improved restroom facilities. Plans to upgrade the field have been discussed for several years.

"This projected really started more than five years ago; the commanding general at the time, Brig. Gen. Jim Schwitters, helped the (Directorate of Public Works) master planning team to begin the project," said Jim Olsen, with the Plans, Analysis and Integration Office. "We have recognized for a long time that Hilton Field really doesn't convey itself as being (part of) the premier training center of the Department of the Defense,"

Olsen said there are five projects scheduled. Two will begin this calendar year — pedestrian walkways and restroom facilities — and three of the projects are slated to begin next year. Families attending graduation can expect some construction, but no delays.

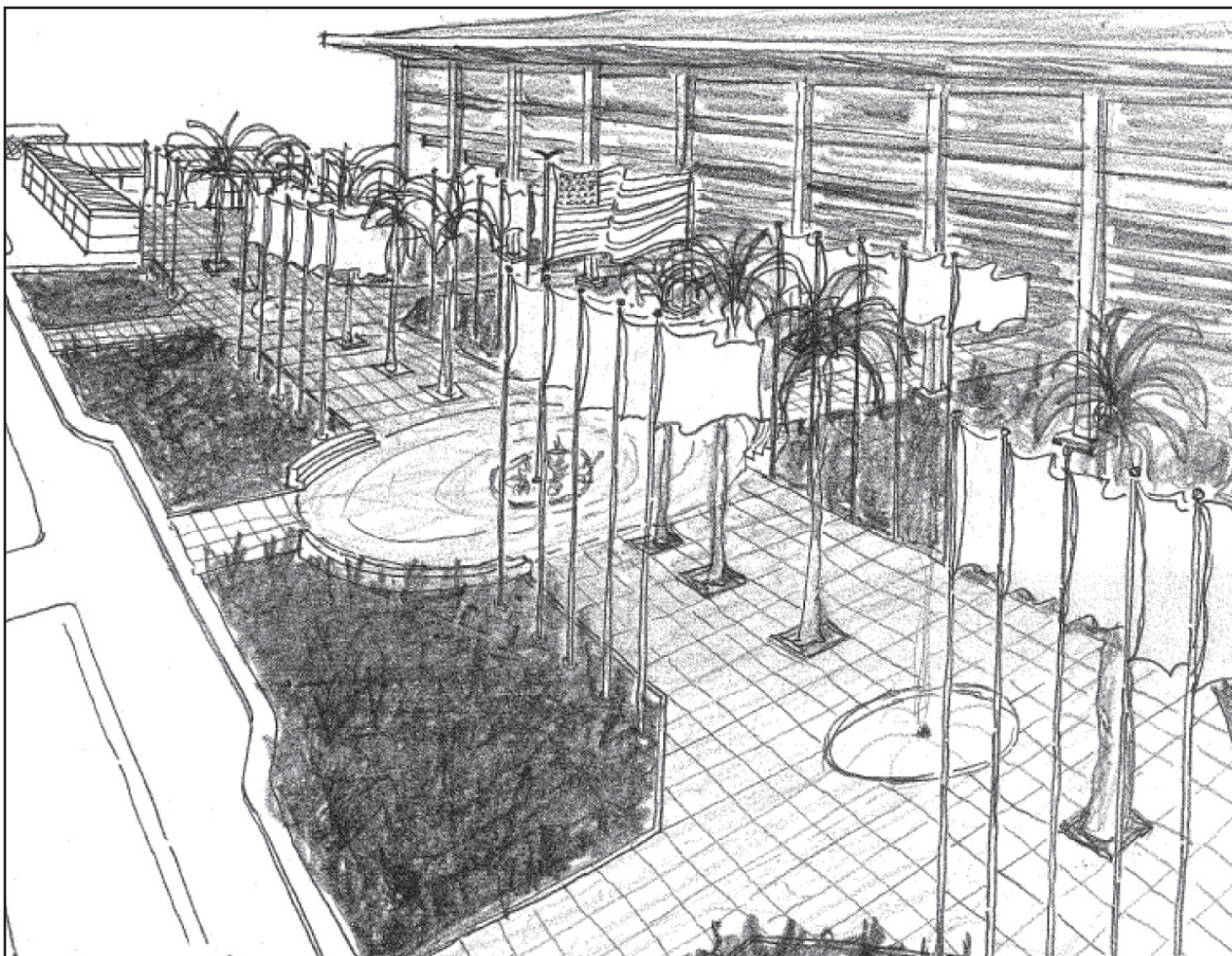
"Right now, graduations are planned to stay at Hilton Field, worst case scenario we can move them to Darby Field. During inclement weather we do graduations at the Solomon Center. When our summer increase of Soldiers is finished, this plan will go in to effect and our numbers for graduation will go back to its normal attendance, so we are anticipating handling those adjustments with graduation and families during construction," Olsen said.

The renovations to the field are anticipated to save the installation money in the long run. Temporary facilities in place now include portable restrooms.

"We currently spend more than a quarter of a million dollars a year on portable restrooms, so now what we are going to do is, instead of using two inadequate restrooms, we are going to have two new restrooms that are squared away and eliminate the use of portable latrines and, honestly, within three years we can pay off those renovations. We are going to be saving a lot of money," Olsen said.

Families visiting for graduation were given the opportunity to express their concerns about upgrades to the field and post.

"We interviewed more than 700 family members, half in the spring and half in the fall, about Hilton Field and their overall views. They said the facilities were an overall significant issue, especially families who had been to Fort Benning and seen their nice facilities," Olsen said.



Graphic courtesy of Plans, Analysis and Integration Office

A rendering shows the plan for a new promenade at Hilton Field. Renovations to the parade field are scheduled to begin this fall and will include resurfacing of access roads and new restroom facilities.

Col. Ken Royalty, Fort Jackson chief of staff, said no construction will take place on graduation days.

"This will be an eye sore until we get it all in place. We should have everything completed by the fall of next year," Royalty said. "We hope to have a walkway that will be lined with bricks donated by community members, organizations and retirees to incorporate the history of Fort Jackson and its community."

"I would like to have a Fort Jackson Foundation, and add in a walk of honor to the renovations. We would sell bricks for retired Soldiers and provide a history of Fort Jackson in the walkway and as people are out there they can see the history of Fort Jackson through the donated bricks and pavers that will line the walkway," Royalty said.

Olsen said the ideal contribution for the walkways and parking lots would be to have 300 trees donated to plant in honor of the Soldiers from South Carolina who have died in combat during Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. The trees would line the parking lot and seating areas for families looking for a place to spend time with their new Soldier after Family Day

and Graduation Day ceremonies.

"We have about 4,000 to 5,000 family members who come out to Fort Jackson every week, and Hilton Field is where they will go and that's their very first opportunity to see the Army, so we are trying to make this something that is well organized, professionally, and we are looking for the "wow" factor."

Gerald Henderson, Fort Jackson deputy chief of staff, said he believes this provides a good opportunity to make Fort Jackson the premier training center.

"We want to become the Army's premier training center, and a part of that experience is the graduation experience," Henderson said. "Here is an opportunity to make the lasting impact for families and Soldiers who will visit Fort Jackson that we are growing; we are moving forward."

Olsen said Hilton Field has the potential to be remembered as a special place.

"I hope that families can see that this is a hallowed ground — this is where people began their military careers," he said.

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Announcement submissions are due one week before publication.

For example, an announcement for the Aug. 23 Leader must be submitted by Aug. 16.

Send your submissions to FJLeader@gmail.com. For more information, call 751-7045.



Housing Happenings

COMMUNITY UPDATES

❑ On-post residents who need to file claims regarding the power outage Aug. 1 and 2 should visit the Claims Office at 2600 Lee Road. Soldiers should first file with their insurance company. Any loss not covered by insurance may be submitted to the Claims Office.

❑ Housing Services tip of the week: A landlord may not enter your home without giving proper notice or the tenant's written permission except during an emergency. For more information, call 751-5788/7566.

❑ Sgt. Brandon Thompson is the comment card winner for July. Residents who fill out a comment card after interacting with Balfour Beatty Communities staff are eligible to win \$100.

❑ Residents are asked to place their trash bins curbside the night before service is scheduled. Store away the trash can once it has been emptied to avoid getting a citation.

❑ Helmets are required for all community members riding bicycles, scooters or skateboards.

❑ The Mayoral Council is looking for volunteers to serve as mayors of the Fort Jackson housing community. Child care is provided while performing mayoral duties. Interested residents should contact Vickie Grier at 751-7567.

❑ LifeWorks events are reserved for on-post housing residents unless otherwise indicated. For questions, comments or suggestions, email ayoungblood@bbcgrp.com.

❑ Refer someone to move on post to receive \$200.

❑ The Yard of the Month contest will continue throughout the summer. Yard of the Month winners will be recognized in *The Fort Jackson Leader*, Balfour Beatty Communities website and newsletter. The grand prize winner will also receive a \$50 gift card contest of BBC. Visit the Self Help Center on Ivy Road and browse the lawn and garden tools that can help you cultivate a beautiful yard and flower garden. The center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



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DoD standardizes PTSD diagnosis

By DAVID VERGUN
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The Army, along with the other military services and the Department of Veterans Affairs, is standardizing the diagnosis and treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder, known as PTSD.

“No matter where Soldiers are getting care or seeking help for PTSD or any other medical issue, we want to ensure we are doing it the same way,” said Lt. Col. Christopher Warner, the Army Surgeon General’s psychiatric consultant and deputy commander, Clinical Services, Bassett Army Community Hospital, Fort Wainwright, Alaska.

Warner said standardization increases a Soldier’s level of trust and fairness in the system.

The Army medical community is now being trained on guidelines spelled out in Army Medical Command Policy Memo 12-035 (April 10, 2012), Policy Guidance on the Assessment and Treatment of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, Warner said.

The memo emphasizes the urgency of the issue.

“The majority of service members with PTSD do not seek treatment, and many who do seek treatment drop out before they can benefit,” the memo

reads. “There are many reasons for this, including stigma, other barriers to care, and negative perceptions of mental health care. Lack of trust in military behavioral health professionals has been identified as one important predictor of service members not utilizing services. Therefore, it is critical that Army behavioral health professionals do everything they can to advocate for and provide care in a patient-centered manner that reassures patients that they will not be judged and that their primary concerns will be addressed.”

PTSD is a widespread problem. It occurs in 3 to 6 percent of service members with no deployment experience and in 5 to 25 percent of service members who have been deployed to combat zones. Combat frequency and intensity are the strongest predictor of the condition, according to the policy memo.

An example of standardization is using the “patient-centered care” approach.

“Patient-centered care within a culture of trust requires that care providers focus on patients’ primary concerns, and these diagnoses, when inappropriately used, can damage therapeutic rapport and interfere with successful care,” the memo reads.

In the past, some medical commands have supplemented this approach with

forensic psychiatry, which, according to Warner, incorporates the medical practice of psychiatry with the legal field to conduct administrative reviews for medical boards.

Warner said the approach is similar to the workman’s compensation model that, although not utilized inappropriately, did not provide a standardized process across the Army.

“That model is no longer in use in the Army,” Warner said.

Other aspects of standardization for PTSD care are being addressed. For example, some medications used in the past were found to not be the best choices for PTSD, Warner said.

Standardization is not limited to Army Medical Command Policy Memo 12-035. The Army, VA and other services are standardizing the administration of treatment, using the Integrated Disability Evaluation System, or IDES.

Warner said the IDES, in conjunction with the Army Physical Evaluation Board, determines whether or not a service member should stay in service or transition to the VA system as a medical retiree. If the latter, the service member is guided through the process of transitioning from Army to VA care, while he or she is still on active duty, to ensure no loss of coverage or break in treatment, he explained.



Photo by WALLACE McBRIDE

Back to school town hall

Fort Jackson community members gathered at the Solomon Center Tuesday for an installation town hall meeting. The meeting addressed issues regarding the upcoming start of the new school year. For more back to school information, see next week’s *Leader*.



Photos by DAVID SHANES, command photographer



TRADOC commander visits

Above, Gen. David Cone, right, TRADOC commander, talks about recruiting with Brig. Gen. David MacEwen, left, commanding general of the Soldier Support Institute, and Lt. Col. Terrence Murrill, incoming commandant of the Recruiting and Retention School, during a visit to Fort Jackson Monday. In addition to the SSI, Cone also visited the Pre-Command Course at the Leader Development Division of the Training Support and Schools Directorate. On Tuesday, Cone had breakfast with drill sergeant leaders at the Drill Sergeant School. Left, Cone poses for a photo with Linda Watson, manager of the Drill Sergeant School dining facility.

Teach your kids about personal finances

Have you considered prepping your child with the tools needed to maintain his or her personal finances? Personal finance is something that is usually taught in college, and only if the student elects to major in business administration or finance.

However, personal finance is one of the biggest challenges facing Americans today.

Unfortunately, thousands of people are subject to credit card debt, high car payments and predatory lenders because they lack financial knowledge.

Generally, children learn personal finances from watching their parents. As parents, we teach our children about manners, respect, nutrition and even good personal hygiene. Here are a few tools to help teach your child responsible financial behavior.

DEVELOP A SPENDING PLAN

A spending plan creates positive behavior for your children to live within their means. A task such as going to the grocery store can be an opportunity for your child to learn about spending plans. Sit down with him or her before going shopping. Identify a list of items you need. Discuss the budget limit and show your child how to stay within the budget. Also, discuss brand names versus store brands and show your child that some products have the exact the same ingredients with just a different name and price.

ALLOWANCES

An allowance is a great way to teach children how to manage money. Each chore could be worth a specific amount of money. For example, taking out the trash could

be worth 50 cents, feeding the dog 25 cents or vacuuming the floor 75 cents. Have the child track how much allowance is received weekly or biweekly. Teach your child how to put a portion of the allowance into savings, which could be a savings account or a piggy bank. Provide your child with an old checkbook register to track deposits and withdrawals. Taking these simple steps can set up your child for success with his or her personal finances.

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Use the Internet to shop for savings accounts. Internet use is part of your child's daily life. Allow him or her to search for financial institutions that are willing to pay higher interest rates for holding money. Teaching your children how to make financial institutions work for them is priceless.

For more information on personal finances, call Army Community Services at 751-5256 and ask to speak with a financial counselor.

FINANCIAL ADVICE

By CHRISTINE JULIUS
Army Community Services
Financial Readiness

News and Notes

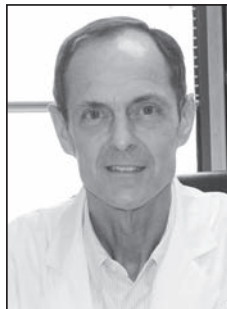
GATE 1 EXTENDS HOURS

Gate 1 is now open from 5 a.m. to 1 a.m., daily. The new hours will remain in effect until Gate 2 re-opens. Gate 2 renovations are scheduled to be completed in September.

WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY ON TAP

Fort Jackson will celebrate Women's Equality Day with a luncheon at 11:30 a.m., Monday at the Solomon Center. The guest speaker will be Kelly Swanson, a comedian, author and motivational speaker. Tickets cost \$10. For more information, contact your unit's equal opportunity adviser, the Equal Employment Opportunity Office or call 751-6213.

MACH WELCOMES DOCTORS



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Two doctors have joined Moncrief Army Community Hospital. Dr. John Hanna is the new chief of the Gynecology Clinic. He specializes in minimally invasive techniques, such as laparoscopic hysterectomy and uterine ablation. Dr. Jacqueline Going practices general otolaryngology, including ear, nose, sinus and throat problems in children and adults. The above-mentioned services are offered at MACH.

SCHOOL PHYSICALS AVAILABLE

To book an appointment for a school or sports physical with your primary care manager, call 751-CARE (2273).

AAFES SURVEY UNDER WAY

The Army & Air Force Exchange Service will conduct its annual customer satisfaction index survey through Aug. 25. Customers can participate at the Fort Jackson Exchange.

UPCOMING CHANGES OF COMMAND/RESPONSIBILITY

- ❑ **Aug. 21 — 369th Adjutant General Battalion:** Lt. Col. David Jones will assume command from Lt. Col. Edward Allen; 8 a.m.; Darby Field.
- ❑ **Aug. 30 — Recruiting and Retention School:** Command Sgt. Maj. Tory Hendrieth will assume responsibility from Command Sgt. Maj. Donna Punihaole; time and location to be determined.

To announce a battalion level or above Change of Command/Responsibility, call 751-7045 or email fjleader@gmail.com.



Photos by SGT. STEVEN SCHNEIDER, TRADOC

Staff Sgt. Brendan Shannon, Maneuver Center of Excellence, balances as he runs through the obstacle confidence course during the 2012 TRADOC Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier of the Year Competition

TRADOC names top NCO, Soldier

By FREDERICK R. POOLE
TRADOC

FORT EUSTIS, VA. — The winners of the 2012 U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier of the Year competition were announced Friday during a ceremony at the Fort Eustis Club.

Staff Sgt. Brendan Shannon was named the TRADOC NCO of the Year, and Spc. Jesse Jacklyn was named the TRADOC Soldier of the Year. Both Shannon and Jacklyn are from the Maneuver Center of Excellence at Fort Benning, Ga.

The four-day competition tested the warriors' mettle in graded events that included land navigation, warrior tasks and battle drills, and a rapid-fire question-and-answer session before a board of four senior NCOs.

Shannon, the 2012 TRADOC NCO of the Year, spoke about his feelings after the announcement was made.

"I'm excited to win," he said. "There's been a higher level of competition every step of the way. I didn't know where I would place. It felt like it was anyone's game."

According to Shannon and Jacklyn, they trained together constantly for nearly a year, including weekends.

"Preparation is important," Jacklyn said. "You need to train in order to get yourself mentally and physically ready."

Gen. Robert Cone, TRADOC commanding general, shared his remarks, which focused on the importance of training.

"Training is a journey and not a destination," said Cone. "You will train your entire career. This is the culture of the United



SHANNON



JACKLYN

States Army."

One of Shannon's goals is to complete the 2012 Best Ranger Competition. In addition to being the 2012 TRADOC Soldier of the Year, Jacklyn was also named the 2012 Brigade Soldier of the Quarter.

Shannon and Jacklyn will represent TRADOC at the Army's Best Warrior competition this October at Fort Lee, Va. They will compete against 22 top NCOs and Soldiers from across the Army.

"We challenged these Soldiers," said TRADOC Command Sgt. Maj. Daniel Dailey, "and they challenged themselves physically, mentally, and in some cases, even spiritually. I think we found the best Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier to represent TRADOC. ... We train Army professionals, and we are TRADOC."

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Photo by STAFF SGT. SHARILYN WELLS, DoD

A U.S. Army paratrooper takes a picture with his cell phone while waiting to board an Air Force C-17 Globemaster III aircraft.

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The Hatch Act

The Hatch Act permits most federal employees to take an active part in partisan political activities and campaigns. While federal employees are still prohibited from seeking political office in partisan elections, most employees are free to work while off-duty on partisan campaigns of candidates of their choice.

Service members are prohibited from acting in any manner that gives rise to the inference of endorsement or approval of candidates for political office by DOD or the U.S. military.

Government employees may not:

- Participate in any political activity while on duty or in a federal building.

- Use the insignia of a government office or any official authority while participating in political activities.

- Solicit, accept or receive political contributions, regardless of where these activities take place.

- Display campaign posters, buttons, bumper stickers, screen savers or any other campaign materials in a federal building.

- Engage in political activities while using a government owned or leased vehicle.

- Host a fundraiser for partisan candidates.

- Run for public office in a partisan election.

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You posted what?

Social media guidelines outline what Soldiers can — and can't — say online

By **BEN SHERMAN**
Fort Sill Cannoneer

FORT SILL, Okla. — The 2012 Presidential election is less than 90 days away. Political perspectives and opinions are running at a fevered pitch, and many people are more than willing to express their opinions in public.

Often, Soldiers and government employees want to get involved with the political process, especially on social media sites. There are, however, a number of things they need to keep in mind when it comes to being in military or government service and being involved in political activity.

For example, an Army Reservist found himself in trouble last year after he took the stage at a Republican presidential candidate campaign event while in uniform to express his support for the candidate. This kind of political activity is prohibited because he was in uniform.

Social media is giving people more opportunities to express their opinions about politics than in the past. A statement can be posted on Facebook, Twitter or other social media sites and be viewed across the country and around the world instantly. Some of these messages are posted on the fly, and not thought out concerning their impact. Soldiers and government employees need to know the rules that apply to such public statements, both on the Internet and other places.

In an example of how social media can cause trouble for military personnel, a Marine was recently discharged from the Corps because he posted critical and derogatory comments about the president on Facebook. The site failed to indicate that the views being expressed were not the views of the Marine Corps or the Department of Defense. He had previously been warned by the Marine Corps that such sites were a violation of military policy, but he did not heed the warning.

SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDELINES

DoD has included guidelines for using social media related to political activities and issues in the "Public Affairs Guidance for Political Campaigns and Elections." A link to the full document is at the end of this article. Here are highlights of guidance:

- Active-duty service members may generally express personal views on public issues or political candidates via social media or personal blogs, much like writing a letter to a newspaper.

- If the social media page or posts identifies the person as an active-duty service member, then the page or post should clearly and prominently state that the views expressed do not represent the DoD, or the service member's branch of service.

- Active-duty members may become friends or like a Facebook page, or follow the Twitter account of a political party or partisan candidates.

Active-duty military personnel may not do the following:

- Active-duty members may not engage in any partisan political activity, even on social media sites. Posting of any direct links to political parties, partisan candidates, campaigns, groups or causes is the equivalent of distributing campaign literature on behalf of the individual or party, which is prohibited.

- Active-duty members may not post or comment on pages or send tweets to political parties or partisan candidates, as such activity is engaging in partisan political activity through a medium sponsored or controlled by political entities.

- Active-duty members should not engage in activities that suggest others like, friend, or follow the political party, partisan political candidate, group or cause, or forward an invitation or solicitation from those political causes.

- Active military service members may be subject to additional restrictions under the Uniform Code of Military Justice governing the use of government resources and communication systems, such as email and the Internet. To learn more, refer to the "Public Affairs Guidance for Political Campaigns and Elections" document at <http://tinyurl.com/d9ovwxh>.



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Photos by STEPHENIE TATUM, Third Army/ ARCENT Public Affairs)

Strong Bonds family retreat

Twenty Third Army/ARCENT families traveled to the Renaissance Asheville Hotel in Asheville, N.C., July 27-29, for the Strong Bonds family retreat. Hosted by the Third Army/ARCENT Special Troops Battalion Chaplain's Office, the three-day retreat was an opportunity for Families to learn how to become more effective as individuals and as a group.



Photo by SGT. 1ST CLASS NICHOLAS SALCIDO, Third Army/ARCENT Public Affairs

Special Troops Battalion

Third Army/ARCENT Soldiers shout cadence and motivate each other as the sun rises behind them during the monthly Special Troops Battalion run around Shaw Air Force Base Friday.



Photo by SGT. 1ST CLASS TONY J. SPAIN, Third Army/ARCENT Public Affairs

Change of responsibility

Lt. Col. David S. Cannon, commander, Third Army Special Troops Battalion, passes the noncommissioned officer sword to Command Sgt. Maj. John J. Harris, the incoming battalion sergeant major, after receiving it from Sgt. Maj. Johnnie L. Coleman, the outgoing sergeant major, during a change of responsibility ceremony held outside Patton Hall on Shaw Air Force Base, Aug. 2.



Courtesy photo

The Garcia family will host Lara Camara from Brazil as a part of the Cultural Academic Student Exchange Program of the Midlands. The Garcia family will introduce Lara to American culture, history and traditions. Lara is scheduled to arrive Tuesday and attend Ridge View High School.

Fort Jackson employees ready for Brazilian exchange student

By **ANDREW McINTYRE**
Fort Jackson Leader

A Fort Jackson family is looking forward to the chance to introduce a foreign exchange student from Brazil to American culture, history and people.

Michael and Sheryl Garcia, who both work as civilians on Fort Jackson, along with their daughter, Meagan, 17, have agreed to take on the responsibility to be the host family for Lara Camara, 16, during the upcoming school year.

"I'm hoping that our ways of living have a positive impact on her life. I was reading the latest blog about the students who just left after being here for a year and how they viewed America prior to coming. Most said they were totally wrong about how they once perceived Americans," said Sheryl, who works with the Directorate of Public Works Engineering Division. "I'm hoping we aren't too boring for her and that she feels comfortable being at our home. We have always tried to make our guests feel welcome. She will be more like family, so I'm hoping she feels that way, too."

After speaking with Lara's family through Facebook, Sheryl said Lara is very excited to come to America. Sheryl has begun to find out what type of foods Lara likes and the types of chores she is responsible for while at home.

The Garcia family will take a trip to

“It is so heartwarming to witness these fantastic teens become beloved members of their new families and begin lifelong friendships. They are so excited to immerse themselves in their new school, church, and community.

— **Tricia Goss, Cultural Academic Student Exchange Midlands representative**

San Antonio with Lara to meet family members and visit historical sites. The family is also looking forward to taking her to the mountains in the winter so she can see snow for the very first time.

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Lara is scheduled to attend Ridge View High School with Meagan beginning in August.

"Of course, we worry about her making new friends at school and if the language difference will be easy for her to adjust to. I also worry about how she will feel the first few weeks away from home," Sheryl said. "Her bio said she

was very close to her mother and they do a lot of stuff together, so I may be a very busy person doing things with her. I want to show her as much as I can and teach her how to cook some foods that we like."

Goss said exchange students in the Midlands area will attend monthly social events with other CASE teens in the Midlands to provide the opportunity to compare notes and share their new experiences.

Sheryl said she is excited to learn more about Lara and her family, and to get to know Lara better.

"I'm hoping that she can teach me to cook some of her favorite foods so when she gets homesick (and that) it will cheer her up. It will be bittersweet to meet her in August and know that in less than a year she will go back home," Sheryl said.



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New BCT complex almost ready

Above, construction on Phase One of a new basic training complex off Golden Arrow Road, referred to as BTC3, is nearing completion. The structure includes a battalion headquarters building, three barracks, a running track and a training pit. The buildings feature epoxy floors made from recycled trees. The buildings are LEED Silver certified, with high-reflectivity rooftops for energy efficiency.

The photo on the left shows the facility midway through construction. The complex will be the new home of the 3rd Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment. The battalion is scheduled to move to the complex in November.



Calendar

Today
National Night Out, a nationwide law enforcement initiative to promote partnership between police and communities, takes place 5 to 9 p.m., Aug. 9, at Hilton Field. There will be activities for children at the event. Operation Home Front will offer free school supplies for dependants of E6 and below. Police will offer demonstrations of felony traffic stops and a K-9 Team exercise, and various law enforcement vehicles will be on display.

Housing events

All events are held in the Community Center, 520 Brown Ave., unless otherwise specified. Call 738-8275 for information.

Throughout the summer
Free popsicle Fridays

Children can stop by the Community Center every Friday this summer for a free popsicle while supplies last.

Announcements

CAROLINA PANTHERS 60 CAMP

Fort Jackson CYSS Youth Sports and Fitness Program is bringing the Carolina Panthers 60 Camp to Fort Jackson 3:30-5 p.m. Aug. 24 at the Youth Sports Park. The Play 60 Camp is a free skills clinic designed to bring the life-sized experience of an NFL training camp to local children. The camp is non-contact and designed to become physically fit. All participants must have a liability release signed by Aug. 16. For more information, contact Darius Lane, youth sports director, at 751-7451/751-5040.

STREET CLOSING

In order to allow for Soldiers crossing the street during physical training hours, the speed limit on a portion of Marion Avenue will change from 35 mph to 20 mph between Semmes Road and Early Street from 5:50 to 7 a.m.

CASE LOT SALE

Case Lot Sale will be held Sept. 7-8 at the commissary.

FREE SNACKS

To celebrate the first day of school, free snacks will be available to students at the community center Aug. 16. Snack time ends 4:15 p.m.

FALL SPORTS SIGN-UP

Registration for fall sports takes place June 18 - Aug.24. The following events are scheduled:
■ Tackle Football: Ages 7-12 \$65
■ Flag Football: Ages 4-5 \$20, Ages 6-9 \$40

■ Cheerleading: Ages 3-5 \$20, Ages 6-13 \$40
■ Soccer: Ages 3-5 \$20, Ages 6-13 \$40
■ Cross Country: Ages 7-14 \$40
For more information about Fall Sports call 751-5040/7451.

Children must be registered with CYS Services before signing up for sports. Central Services is open 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday. Registration fees are waived as CYS Services delivers on the Army Family Covenant.
Parents must bring a current physical and a copy of the child’s birth certificate for sports sign up.

FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDER TRAINING

The next Family Child Care Orientation Training takes place 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 20-24, at the Joe E. Mann Building, 3392 Magruer Ave. Military spouses living in government quarters on Fort Jackson and DSS registered off-post child care providers can apply to provide certified child care to Military Families in their homes. Applications will be accepted through Aug. 16. For more information, call 751-6234.

HALLOWEEN AT THE THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop is accepting Halloween items Aug. 8-Oct. 14.

5K RUN/WALK FOR THE FALLEN

Fort Jackson will host a 5K Run/Walk for Fallen Soldiers 8 a.m., Aug. 18 at the Hilton Field Softball Complex. Registration packets will be available for pickup 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Aug. 17, at Room 222 of the Strom Thurmond Building, and 6:30 to 7:30 a.m., Aug. 18 at the Hilton Softball Field Complex.

COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN TRAINING

Combined Federal Campaign training for unit coordinators, key persons and post staff for the Fort Jackson CFC takes place Aug. 22 at the Joe E. Mann Center. Training for military personnel is 9-11 a.m., and training for civilians takes place 1-3 p.m. For more information, call 751-2669/3816/4912.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS

The 2012 Fort Jackson cookbooks are now available at the Thrift Shop.

ASAP HOURS

The Army Substance Abuse Program has clinical hours Mondays, Tuesday, Thursdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

AFAP CONFERENCE

Quality of life issues are being collected for review at the annual Fort Jackson AFAP Conference. Issue forms are located in the main ACS Office, the Family Readiness Center (Building 4512) and by request from veronica.jacksonpatrick@us.army.mil.
For more information on AFAP and the

kinds of issues addressed through this forum, visit www.fortjacksonmwr.acs.afap.

JACKSON JUBILEE

The Jackson Jubilee takes place 3-7 p.m. Aug. 28 at the Solomon Center. Local vendors and restaurants will be present for the largest information and entertainment event of the year., hosted by ACS and MWR.

CLOTHING STORE

Beginning Aug. 20, the Military Clothing Store will be closed Mondays.

SCHOLARSHIP INCENTIVE

The Virginia Military Institute Foundation, through the 100th Infantry Division/Henry B. Williams Jr. is offering two scholarship awards to qualifying Soldiers. If you are an Active Duty Army Career NCO (E5 or E6) and are stationed on Fort Jackson, you can get an application 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, at the Army Continuing Education System, Building 4600, Room A100.

Take your college transcript, list recent of awards and activities, and an essay stating your reason for financial aid. The essay must be typed, double-spaced and not exceed 200 words. Previous winners are not eligible.

PWOC FALL KICK OFF

Protestant Women of the Chapel will meet 9 to 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 28, at the Main Post Chapel. Registration information for fall Bible studies will be available.

IMMIGRATION 101 WORKSHOP

Army Community Services Relocation Office and U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services have partnered to provide an Immigration 101 workshop. The workshop will provide information on how to apply for permanent residency and citizenship, and how to petition for a family member to come to the U.S. The workshop takes place 10 a.m. to noon, today, in Room 222 of the Strom Thurmond Building. A second workshop is scheduled for Dec. 13.

CIF IN-AND-OUT PROCESSING

Personnel required to in-and-out process at Central Issue Facility must schedule an appointment. Soldiers clearing CIF are required to have their post clearing papers. To schedule an appointment, call 751-6524, 751-2870 or 751-2739.

SGT. AUDIE MURPHY CLUB

The Fort Jackson chapter of the Sgt. Audie Murphy Club is hosting a carnival Aug. 15 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Victory Park Extension, next to Semmes Lake.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

Copies of the Palmetto State Utility Services, Inc., Consumer Confidence Reports are available at the Commissary, the Directorate of Public Works, Main PX, Mini-Mall, Palmetto State Utility

Services, Post Office, Shopette – Gate 1, Shopette – Gate 2, the Strom Thurmond Building and the Welcome Center.

SUMMER FEEDING PROGRAM

The Seamless Summer Feeding Program allows children 18 and younger to have free meals during the summer months. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 to 9 a.m., lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at C.C. Pinckney Elementary School. For additional locations in the Richland One school district, visit www.richlandone.org.

CIVILIAN CAREER WEBSITE

A new website has been launched that consolidates information about civilian training and career development. Visit the site at www.civiliantraining.army.mil. The Army Civilian Training and Leader Development Division also established a Facebook page at www.facebook.com/armyciviliantraining.

FCC TRAINING OFFERED

Family Child Care Orientation Training is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Aug. 20-24, at the Joe E. Mann Center. The FCC program offers an employment opportunity and portable career for military spouses who enjoy working with children.
Military spouses living on Fort Jackson and Department of Social Services registered off-post child care providers can apply to become certified to provide child care to military families in their homes. Applications will be accepted through Aug. 16. For more information, call 751-6234.

Off-post events

The Fort Jackson Leader accepts only off-post announcements for those organizations or events that directly relate to service members and their families.

SPIRIT OF AMERICA TOUR

The Army’s Spirit of America tour will perform at the Colonial Life Arena Sept. 21 and 22. Tickets are free and available at www.soa.mdw.army.mil.

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Columbia is seeking volunteers to serve as big brothers and big sisters for its site-based military mentoring program at C.C. Pinckney Elementary School.
Children are matched with volunteers in the program, and receive weekly visits from their mentors for games and studying.
Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, reside in Richland or Lexington counties and plan to stay in the Greater Columbia area for the next 15 months, and be willing and able to meet with a matched child for one hour per week. Background checks are required.

Saluting this BCT cycle's honorees

DRILL SERGEANTS OF THE CYCLE



Master Sgt. Timothy Petronico
Company A
1st Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment
SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Sean O’Brien

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Saif Hasson

HIGH APFT SCORE
Pfc. Heather Ross

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Brian Casey



Staff Sgt. Franz Dupreez
Company B
1st Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment
SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Chelsea Jimenez

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Tyler Gleason

HIGH APFT SCORE
Pvt. Abigail Bregenzer

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Jacob Taylor



Staff Sgt. Reginald Duck
Company C
1st Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment
SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Matthew Campuzano

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Arlen Frasier

HIGH APFT SCORE
Pfc. Bouya Ndiaye

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Dayton Kern



Sgt. 1st Class Edward Haislip
Company D
1st Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment
SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Chad Durant

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE
Spc. Gregory Valenzuela

HIGH APFT SCORE
Pfc. Reeve Vandasar

HIGH BRM
Pfc. Amado Tobar



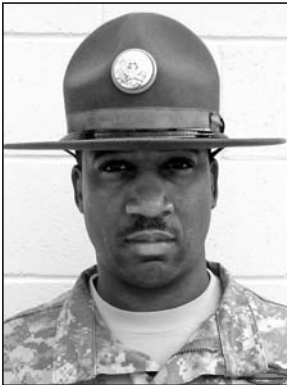
Sgt. Lakesha Bush
Company F
1st Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment
SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Daniel Tufele

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Tyson Matsumoto

HIGH APFT SCORE
Spc. Ralph Luzolo Bayekola

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Isaiah Hunt

Training honors



WATKINS



McINTYRE

Sgt. 1st Class Jason Watkins
Drill sergeant of the cycle
Company B
Task Force Marshall

Staff Sgt. Donald McIntyre
Drill sergeant of the cycle
Company C
Task Force Marshall

Leader deadlines

Article submissions are due two weeks before publication.
For example, an article for the Aug. 23 Leader must be submitted by today.
Announcement submissions are due one week before

publication.
For example, an announcement for the Aug. 23 Leader must be submitted by Aug. 16. Send your submissions to FJLeader@gmail.com.
For more information, call 751-7045.

August Promotions

Name	Rank	Name	Rank	Name	Rank
CLARK, Frank S.	COL	ALFONS, Maloney B.	SFC	TUTOR, Seneca A.	SFC
CHIVERS, Bryan J.	LTC	ANDERSON, McKinley A.	SFC	WATSON, Latitia	SFC
HARRINGTON, Bernard J.	LTC	BLANCANEAUX, Ebony	SFC	WILHELM, Eduard	SFC
PARKES, David W.	LTC	BOOTS, Austin M.	SFC	AGNEY, Anthony P.	SSG
APTICAR, Tobias S.	MAJ	BUSTAMANTE, Alejandro	SFC	EVANSBROWN, Jontrel	SSG
ENGER, Jordan D.	MAJ	CAMPBELL, Joey C.	SFC	GUTIERREZ, Anita	SSG
JAMES, Brian	MAJ	CHARLES, Alan	SFC	HENIGIN, Charles W.	SSG
KATAUSKAS, Alex F.	MAJ	CHARLES, Louguens	SFC	LOMBANA, Ricardo M.	SSG
MACKINNON, Jeffrey N.	MAJ	DOWNING, Jason E.	SFC	LYNCH, Dustin G.	SSG
McCOOL, Mark B.	MAJ	ELLINGTON, Aaron B.	SFC	REDMOND, Angela M.	SSG
NGUYEN, Vinh Q.	MAJ	FORESTER, Billy W.	SFC	ROMEROMELARA, Herber	SSG
PLETCHER, Mickey J.	MAJ	HERNANDEZ, Marselo N.	SFC	STICKEL, Stephanie L.	SSG
PUTTEET, Jason W.	MAJ	JOHNSON, James L.	SFC	ADMAS, Curtis E.	SGT
RABB, George T.	MAJ	KREMBLAS, Linda	SFC	AFRIKA, Maideah	SGT
SANDIFER, George E.	MAJ	LARA, Kamilo	SFC	BAILEY, Jason S.	SGT
SHIN, Jason S.	MAJ	MONTANIO, Steven A.	SFC	BERNARD, Laura N.	SGT
WEILAND, Willaim F.	MAJ	NELSON, Russell L.	SFC	BOATNER, Bertonia S.	SGT
WHITING, John D.	MAJ	PECKHAM, Michael J.	SFC	CARTER, Jamaine S.	SGT
LANDRUM, Charles N.	MSG	POLK, Derick L.	SFC	HATCHETT, Michael Jr.	SGT
LEWIS, Benjamin J.	MSG	RENTZEL, Christopher M.	SFC	HILL, Cordera C.	SGT
NUNELY, Marquis C.	MSG	ROGERS, Robert L.	SFC	LEGETT, Christopher	SGT
SMITH, Joianessa L.	MSG	SCHULZ, Jeffery D.	SFC	MADRID, Jesse J.	SGT
TAVARESGIBBS, Nichole A.	MSG	STARR, Ebony Q.	SFC	SCOTT, Amanda M.	SGT
THOMAS, Deborah B.	MSG	THOMPSON, Marisa V.	SFC	SWAN, Mara K.	SGT
TURHAN, Angela M.	MSG	TIDWELL, Brian G.	SFC	VARGAS, Anthony A.	SGT
ALBA, James A.	SFC	TULL, Yazmin S.	SFC		

Recurring meetings

WEEKLY

Fort Jackson Boy Scouts
Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8 p.m., 11559 Jenkins Road (next to Victory Tower), 917-1869.

Walking away stress
Mondays and Fridays, 9 a.m., at the pecan orchard near the post office on Early Street, 751-6325.

Play group
Mondays, 10 to 11:45 a.m., Room 8, 5615 Hood St., for children 4 and younger, 751-1071/6304.

Range control briefing
Mondays and Fridays, 1 p.m., Education Center, Room 302, 751-7171.

Columbia Composite Squadron (Civil Air Patrol)
Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Owens Field, main conference room. E-mail *Tom.Alsup@gmail.com* or visit *www.scwg.cap.gov*.

Helping Everyone Reach Optimum Strength
Tuesdays, 5 to 6 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, seventh floor. Open to combat veterans and their family members.

Protestant Women of the Chapel
Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to noon, Main Post Chapel, Bible study and fellowship. Home schoolers are welcome. Free child care is available. E-mail *jackson.pwoc.org*.

Toastmasters International
Wednesdays, 11:40 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., Main Post Chapel, 629-7696 or (910) 224-8307

Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting
Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 to 10 a.m., 9810 Lee Road. For more information, call 751-6597.

American Red Cross volunteer orientation
Wednesdays, 1 to 4 p.m., and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to noon. Only one session is required. Additional training is necessary for those volunteering in a clinical setting. Call 751-4329.

MONTHLY

Fort Jackson Bass Club
First Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Joe E. Mann Center. Open to active duty, retirees, DoD civilians, reservists, veterans and family members. Visit *www.jacksonanglers.com*.

Disabled American Veterans Chapter and Auxiliary, Woodrow Wilson Chapter #4
Second Monday of the month (September through June), 6 p.m., 511 Violet St., West Columbia, 467-8355 or *gblake12@sc.rr.com*.

Weight Loss Surgery Support Group
❑ Second and fourth Monday of the month, noon, Weight Management Center, 180 Laurel St.

❑ Second Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Palmetto Health Baptist Breast Health Center, 1501 Sumter St., ground level, Meeting Room 2.

Seabees
Second Monday of the month, 7 p.m., West Metro Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center, 755-7792 or 755-0300.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 641
Second Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m., 534 S. Beltline Blvd., 782-5943 or 782-0148.

Sergeant Audie Murphy Club
First Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m., Post Conference Room, *www.jackson.army.mil/360/SAMC/home.htm*.

American Legion Post 182
First Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m., Officers' Club, 351-2333.

Adjutant General Corps Regimental Association
Second Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., NCO Club.

National Federation of Federal Employees
Second Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m., 4405 Forney St., first floor, 751-2622 or *NFFE@conus.army.mil*.

Fleet Reserve Association Branch and Unit 202
Third Tuesday of the month, 12:30 p.m., 2620 Lee Road, 647-0040 or *turner6516@gmail.com*.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Gandy-Griffin Post 4262
Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., 5821 North Main St., 754-1614 or 447-2320.

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 303
Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., American Legion Post 6, 200 Pickens St., 312-4895.

Purple Heart #402
Fourth Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., American Legion Post 6, 200 Pickens St., 351-2333.

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers Adopt-A-School program
Second Wednesday of the month during the school year, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., meeting at the Single Soldier Complex, Building 2447, for transportation to Forrest Heights Elementary School, 751-1148

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers
First and third Wednesday of the month, 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., Single Soldier Complex, Building 2447, 751-1148

Victory Riders Motorcycle Club
First and third Thursday of the month, 5 p.m., Magruder's Club. E-mail *sec@fjvictoryriders.com*.

The Rocks Inc., James Webster Smith Chapter
Third Thursday of the month, 5:30 p.m.,

Post Conference Room.

American Legion Riders Motorcycle Group
Third Thursday of the month, 7 p.m., American Legion Post 6, 200 Pickens St., 360-3830.

Society of American Military Engineers
Fourth Thursday of the month, 11:30 a.m., 254-0518 or 765-0320.

Sergeants Major Association
Last working Thursday of the month, 4:30 p.m., Magruder's Pub, 338-1904. Open to active-duty and retired E-9s and E-8s. E-mail *William.huffin@us.army.mil*.

MEDPROS training
Third Friday of the month, 1-4 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, Room 9-83. E-mail *Erica.Aikens@amedd.army.mil*.

Retired Enlisted Association
Third Friday of the month, 5:30 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, third floor, 740-2319 or e-mail *jrodgers11@sc.rr.com*.

92nd Buffalo Chapter 20 DAV
Third Saturday of the month, except July and August, 11 a.m., DAV Headquarters 511 Violet St., West Columbia, 260-1067.

Fort Jackson Cub Scouts
First Sunday of the month, 5:30 to 7 p.m., 11559 Jenkins Road (next to Victory Tower), 917-1869

Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 641
Second Sunday of the month, 3 p.m., 534 S. Beltline Blvd., 782-5943 or 782-0148.

Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 4262
Second Sunday of the month, 5 p.m., 5821 North Main St., 754-1614.

Gold Star Wives, Palmetto Chapter
Second Sunday of the month, 3 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, Third Floor conference room, 695-5345.

Combat Vets Motorcycle Association
Third Sunday of the month at noon, (774) 451-7504, e-mail *armyaguiar@yahoo.com* or visit *www.combatvet.org*.

Ladies Auxiliary Louis D. Simmons Post 215
Fourth Sunday of the month, 3 p.m., 2432 Chappelle St., 765-0175.

American Legion Louis D. Simmons Post 215
Fourth Sunday of the month, 5 p.m., 2432 Chappelle St., 765-0175.

To submit a recurring meeting, email the name of the group, when and where the meeting takes place and contact information to fjleader@conus.army.mil.

GREEN GOES FOR THE GOLD

Soldiers compete in 2012 London Olympics

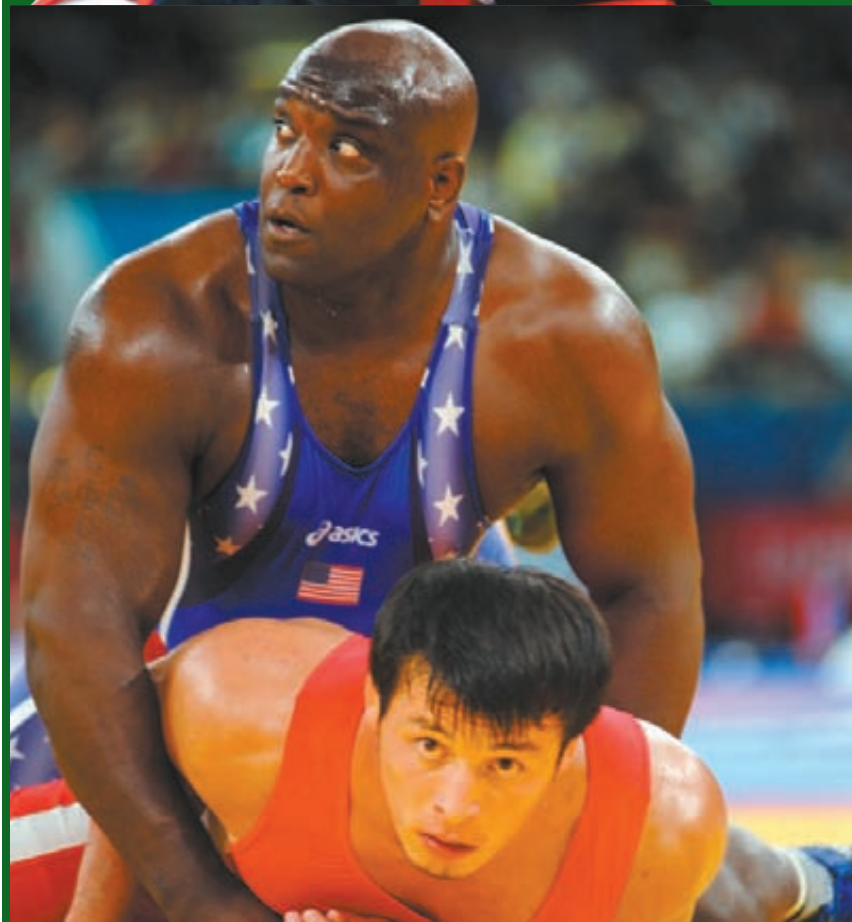


Sgt. Vincent Hancock, left, became the first shotgun shooter to win consecutive Olympic gold medals in men's skeet. Hancock, 23, of Eatonton, Ga., eclipsed his own records set at the 2008 Beijing Games for both qualification (123) and total (148) scores.

Photos by TIM HIPPS, IMCOM



Jamie Gray, right, wife of U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit shooter Staff Sgt. Hank Gray, bites her Olympic gold medal after winning the women's 50-meter three-positions rifle event. Bronze medalist Daria Vdovina of Russia stands beside her.



U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program wrestler Sgt. 1st Class Dremiel Byers of Fort Carson, Colo., pins Uzbekistan's Munjon Abdullaev en route to a 1-0, 2-0 victory in the Olympic men's Greco-Roman 120-kilogram/264.5-pound division.



Sgt. 1st Class Daryl Szarenski, U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program, competes in men's 50-meter free pistol at the Royal Artillery Barracks in London. This was Szarenski's fourth Olympic games, going back to the Sydney 2000 Olympics. He finished in 28th place.

Christians have duty toward others

By **CHAPLAIN (CAPT.) MICHAEL FOX**
3rd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment

July 2012 marks the 75th anniversary of the first step taken by a guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. It is a sight to see the precision and gallantry of the guard as he takes 21 steps, pauses for 21 seconds, and returns for 21 more steps to honor these fallen warriors. The guards do this over and over again without flaw. When I think of them, one word comes to mind, “duty.” These guards embody what the word, “duty,” means.

As I ponder this word, I think, “What if we all lived up to this value as a person of faith and conviction?” According to scripture, we all have a Christian duty toward others.

First, we have a Christian duty to serve each other. The Bible says, “*Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.*” (1 Peter 4:10) It is in our service that all will see God’s grace in action as we demonstrate our faith. Service is the embodiment of Christian love toward others.

Second, we have a Christian duty to encourage one another. First Thessalonians 5:11 says, “*Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up.*” It is easy in this world to become discouraged because of work, relationships and finances. It is through encouragement that people can rise up



Army photo

A member of the Old Guard paces in front of the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.

and overcome any obstacle they may encounter if they believe in themselves. So, it is our Christian duty to help them believe, overcome and stay faithful in a discouraging world.

Third, we have a Christian duty to help carry burdens for others. Galatians 6:2 says, “*Carry each other’s burdens, and*

in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” Nobody should have to walk alone in the valley of being burdened. We need to walk with others and share in and lighten the heavy load many carry on their shoulders. Jesus removed our greatest burden at the cross. Therefore, we — just as Jesus did — need to help our brothers and sisters who are lost in the valley.

Lastly, we have a Christian duty to pray for each other. James 5:16 says, “*Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.*” The heavy loads we carry just don’t stay in the natural world, but also belong in the spiritual. We must pray for each other. Sometimes when we are tired and burdened we just don’t feel like praying. Therefore, we as Christians must intercede for our brothers and sisters and pray on their behalf. Powerful and effective prayer will make all the difference.

To whom much is given, much is required. As Christians, we have a duty toward others. It is not a choice, but it is required. What a much different place this would be if we all as Christians would rise up and perform our duty as diligently as the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown. Therefore, be encouraged that it is not too late to take your post and serve God and others to the fullness of your duty. For if you do not take your post and do your duty, who will?



PROTESTANT

- Sunday
8:30 a.m. Daniel Circle Chapel Gospel service, Daniel Circle Chapel (first service)
9 a.m. McCrady Chapel (SCARNG), McCrady Training Center
9:30 a.m. Hispanic, Post Theater
9:30 a.m. Main Post Chapel
10:15 a.m. Daniel Circle Chapel Gospel service, Daniel Circle Chapel (second service)
10:45 a.m. Sunday school, Main Post Chapel
11 a.m. Memorial Chapel
11 a.m. Chapel Next, Bayonet Chapel

Protestant Bible Study

- Monday
7 p.m. Women’s Bible study (PWOC), Main Post Chapel
- Tuesday
9:30 a.m. to noon Women’s Bible study (PWOC), Main Post Chapel
- Wednesday
6 p.m. Gospel prayer service, Daniel Circle Chapel

- 7 p.m. Gospel Bible study, Daniel Circle Chapel
- Saturday
8 a.m. Men’s prayer breakfast (PMOC), Main Post Chapel (every second Saturday of the month in the activity room)

Protestant Youth of the Chapel

- Saturday
11 a.m. Daniel Circle Chapel youth group, Dorn VA Hospital (first Saturday of each month)

CATHOLIC

- Monday through Thursday
11:30 a.m. Mass, Main Post Chapel
- Sunday
8 a.m. IET Mass, Solomon Center
9:30 a.m. CCD (September through May), Education Center
9:30 a.m. Religious ed class for adults (September through May), Main Post Chapel
9:30 a.m. Religious ed class for children (September through May), Main Post Chapel
10:30 a.m. Reconciliation (after Mass or by appointment), Main Post Chapel
11 a.m. Mass (Main Post Chapel)
12:30 p.m. Catholic youth ministry, Main Post Chapel

- Wednesday
7 p.m. Rosary, Main Post Chapel
7:30 p.m. RCIA/Adult inquiry (September

through May), Main Post Chapel

ANGLICAN/LITURGICAL

- Sunday
8 a.m. Anderson Street Chapel

ISLAMIC

- Sunday
8 to 10 a.m. Islamic studies, Main Post Chapel
- Friday
12:45 to 1:30 p.m. Jumah services, Main Post Chapel

JEWISH

- Sunday
9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Worship service, Memorial Chapel
10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Jewish book study, Post Conference Room

CHURCH OF CHRIST

- Sunday
11:30 a.m. Anderson Street Chapel

LATTER DAY SAINTS

- Sunday
9:30 to 11 a.m. Anderson Street Chapel
- Wednesday

7 to 8 p.m. LDS scripture study, Anderson Street Chapel

ADDRESSES, PHONE NUMBERS

- Anderson Street Chapel**
2335 Anderson St., corner of Jackson Boulevard, 751-7032
- Bayonet Chapel**
9476 Kemper St., 751-6322/4542
- Daniel Circle Chapel**
3359 Daniel Circle, corner of Jackson Boulevard, 751-1297/4478
- Education Center**
4581 Scales Ave.
- Family Life Chapel**
4580 Scales Ave, corner of Strom Thurmond Boulevard (inside of Main Post Chapel), 751-5780
- Magruder Chapel**
4360 Magruder Ave., 751-3883
- Main Post Chapel**
4580 Scales Ave., corner of Strom Thurmond Boulevard, 751-6469/6681
- McCrady Chapel (SCARNG)**
3820 McCrady Road (located at McCrady Training Center)
- Memorial Chapel**
4470 Jackson Blvd., 751-7324
- Warrior Chapel (120th AG Bn.)**
1895 Washington St., 751-5086/7427
- Installation Chaplain’s Office**
4475 Gregg St., 751-3121/6318